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Re: MUR 6680 - Response to Complaint from 714 LLP Partners Rick Berg, Bradley Williams, James Wieland, and Jim Frisk

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Pursuant to our January 9, 2013 conversation, this letter responds to the complaint filed by the North Dakota Democratic-NPL Party in MUR 6680 (the "Complaint") on behalf of Rick Berg. Bradley Williams, James Wieland, and Jim Frisk (the "Additional Respondents"), as partners in 714 LLP. Attached please find executed Designation of Counsel forms for Messrs. Williams, Wieland and Frisk.

We hereby incorporate by reference our response to the Complaint dated December 13, 2012 on behalf of Berg for Senate, Kelly Zander, as Treasurer, and 714 LLP, and respectfully request that the Commission consider the legal arguments set forth in that response to apply to the Additional Respondents.

As we stated in our December 13 response, the Complaint was nothing more than a meritless political ploy filed in the waning days of a close election. The Commission should find no reason to believe that Berg for Senate, Kelly Zander, as Treasurer, 714 LLP, or any of the Additional Respondents violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, or the Commission's regulations, and should immediately dismiss the matter.

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Thank you for your consideration of this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (202) 772-0915 with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cc: Frankie Hampton

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